

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Baptist Ministers Are Given Hearty Welcome By All Denominations.

ELKS' PUBLIC AUCTION

Almshouse Committee to Consider Final Report To-Night. Wedding To-Day.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, No. 1102 Hull Street. It was Baptist Ministers' Day in Manchester yesterday, as in Richmond, and nearly all the pulpits were filled by the delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, now in progress. Large congregations attended the various churches, and the visiting preachers were accorded a hearty welcome by all denominations.

At Asbury Methodist Church children's day services were held in the morning, and were largely attended. A rally for the benefit of the parsonage will be held in this church Friday night. Rev. H. W. Burruss, a former pastor, now of Maryland, and Rev. E. T. Daddum, of Richmond, will be present to assist in the exercises. On Thursday night "The Deceitful Skunk" will be presented in Asbury Church by members of Laurel Street Church, of Richmond.

Draw for Gas Range. Everything left over from the Elks' Bazaar, which has been in progress for the last two weeks, will be sold to-night at public auction. A \$60 gas range, one of the most expensive things at the bazaar, will be drawn for. Many will take part in the drawing, as the range is one that any housewife might desire. There will be no entertainment, and no admission fee will be charged.

No Word From Mr. Allen. The disappearance of Mr. William Allen, superintendent of the City Almshouse, is still the subject of much talk, though his friends are beginning to resign themselves to the thought that they will never see him again. Speculation as to his possible whereabouts has been rife ever since his disappearance, but the question still remains unanswered.

The Almshouse Committee will meet to-night to consider further the summing up of their report as to the condition of the institution and its recent management. What that final report will be, in the light of Mr. Allen's disappearance, is a matter of speculation; for it is generally thought that, had he remained in the city, he could have cleared up many matters that are still in some doubt.

City Hears 114 BAPTIST SERMONS

Sixty Pulpits Filled by Visiting Ministers Yesterday—Great Congregations Attended.

According to the schedule announced, 114 sermons were delivered in Richmond and vicinity yesterday by members of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Sixty sermons were preached from sixty separate pulpits, representing Baptist, Presbyterian, Christian and Methodist denominations, besides services at the Railroad Y. M. C. A., the Confederate Soldiers' Home and the Virginia State penitentiary. Three of the churches were among the colored Baptists of the city, members of the convention preaching at the First, Sharon and Mt. Carmel churches.

Members of the convention also filled pulpits in Manchester, Petersburg, Ashland and other nearby points.

Thousand at Streets. The laymen's meeting at the First Baptist and the meeting on evangelism at Grove Avenue in the afternoon brought out most of the delegates to the convention. The red badges, however, were not noticed on the bright spring day and the interest in the visiting preachers attracted large congregations.

Quite a number of delegates took the electric cars to Petersburg to hear Evangelist Carter, who has been in that city for some time.

In the late afternoon yesterday the city parks were filled with the visitors, who turned out with thousands of Richmonders for a breath of fresh, dustless air at the Reservoir, Lakeside and other suburban parks.

Texas Day. Among a large number of striking sermons delivered, only a bare mention can be made of the various preachers.

A Texas day was arranged at the First Baptist Church, the pastor, Rev. Dr. George W. McDaniell, securing two of his old colleagues from his own State, Rev. B. H. Carroll, D. D., in the morning, and Rev. George N. Truett, D. D., at night, both services being largely attended. Dr. Truett's sermon produced a profound impression.

At the Second Baptist Church there was a large assemblage out of the members of the congregation to hear the old pastor, Rev. Dr. W. W. Landrum, now of Atlanta. Dr. Landrum preceded Rev. Dr. W. R. L. Smith as pastor of the Second Church, and during his residence in Richmond was one of the most popular ministers of the city.

Rev. Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Theological Seminary at Louisville, delivered a powerful and effective sermon at the Grace Street Baptist Church in the morning, the house being filled to overflowing before the service began.

Alabama Day. The speakers at Grove Avenue were among the most attractive, Rev. Dr. L. B. Broughton, of Alabama, filling the pulpit in the morning, and Rev. John R. Stratton, of Chicago, at night.

Rev. E. N. Poter, president of Furman University, of Greenville, S. C., spoke at Calvary Baptist Church in the morning, his subject being "The Kingdom of God."

Another preacher who returned to his old charge yesterday was Rev. M. Ashby Jones, who filled the pulpit at Leigh Street in the morning.

Rev. Dr. A. J. Dickinson, who preached the annual convention sermon this year spoke in the morning at the Second Presbyterian Church. Like Dr. McDaniell, Rev. Dr. Russell Cecil, pastor of this church, who is from Selma, arranged an Alabama day, Dr. Dickinson preaching in the morning, and Rev. Dr. George D. Eager, of Birmingham, at night.

Secretary Preaches. Rev. Dr. Lansing Burruss, one of the general secretaries of the convention preached at the evening service at Grace Street Presbyterian Church, and

marked it as the greatest meeting the hosts have ever held.

Work Still to Be Done. But the work is not over yet. Indeed, the meetings to-day will be the most important of the season, as well as the most interesting. There is every reason for believing that the last day will be the greatest of all, and the big missionary mass-meeting to be held to-night, to be addressed by returned missionaries from foreign fields, will be a notable affair, and it will close the fifty-second annual meeting of the convention in a flame of enthusiasm.

The morning, afternoon and night meetings to-day will be in the nature of great missionary rallies, and they will mark an epoch in the missionary work of the denomination.

The women have completed their work or will do so with a meeting of the executive committee of the First Baptist Church at 9:30 o'clock this morning. After that meeting the members of the union will attend the sessions of the convention at the Auditorium and be admitted to the floor on either the convention badge or the union badge.

The statistical table which the secretary will submit to-day under the head of miscellaneous business will show that there are in the convention's territory fifteen States, one Territory, and the District of Columbia. There are 859 district associations, 21,892 churches, 1,899,427 church members, and their church property is valued at \$28,571,209. Contributions last year for all purposes about 7,200,000.

By-Pureell. A wedding of much local interest is that announced to take place at 10:30 o'clock this morning, when Miss Elizabeth Virginia Pureell will become the bride of Mr. George C. Ely. The marriage will take place in the home of Rev. Dr. E. V. Baldy, by whom the ceremony will be performed. The couple will be attended by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whitton.

After the ceremony, they will leave for St. Augustine, Fla. They will make their home in Alexandria.

Persons and Events. The Manchester Masonic Lodge will meet to-night in the Masonic Temple. Four candidates will be initiated into the mysteries of Masonry.

The Olympia Club will hold its regular meeting at No. 2 West Fifteenth Street to-morrow night.

Crosses of honor will be delivered to-morrow night to the members of the Richmond and Manchester Confederate Veteran camps in Leader Hall.

The speaker of the occasion will be Captain John Lamb, who will be introduced by Miss Chloë Clayton. The Manchester High School Glee Club will furnish music.

The Corporation Court will convene for its May term this morning. Only two criminal cases are scheduled to come up. Grand jury will come up before the special grand jury.

Rev. C. O. Woodward, pastor of the Cowardin Avenue Christian Church, who is conducting a revival at Beaver Creek, Md., is expected home this week.

Greatest of All Sessions. The enthusiastic way in which the convention started the movement to raise this year for foreign missions more than half-million dollars and possibly as much as a million, was unprecedented in the annals of the body. Enthusiasm reached the very highest pitch, and the body was thrown almost off its feet when one man pledged himself and his estate to give \$50,000, payable in annual installments of \$5,000 each.

The home mission board, too, practically secured pledges that will probably run its foreign fund to the coming year up to something like a half million dollars. Another great work enthusiastically set on foot by the convention at this session is to secure at once a million-dollar increase of the endowment fund of the seminary.

The women have had the greatest meeting of their union they have ever enjoyed. They have raised more than ever before, and at this session, with some help from the men, they have obtained nearly \$15,000 for the erection of a building for the missionary training school located in Louisville as an adjunct to the seminary.

The movement to organize a laymen's union as an adjunct to the convention, which the men of the churches believe will become a powerful factor in advancing the interests of the denomination in the South, was practically launched, and this is regarded by many as the most momentous accomplishment of the entire session.

These are some of the great things done at this year's assembling of the Southern Baptist hosts, and which

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AMERICAN GUILD ISSUES WARNING

Agents Not Permitted to Write More Insurance in North Carolina.

STATE TO PROSECUTE ALL

Commissioner Objects to Statement That Guild Will Protect Agents.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., May 19.—State Insurance Commissioner J. R. Young is hot on the trail of the American Guild, of Richmond, whose license was canceled by the commission some days ago. The commissioner finds that the American Guild has written its agents and representatives in this State that they have a right to collect and remit premiums to the home office, no matter if the license has been revoked, and that the guild will protect them in this. On the other hand, the commissioner warns all these agents and the public generally that to do so will be a violation of the State law, subjecting them to both fine and imprisonment, and that as commissioners he will do his utmost to have all violators punished to the utmost extent of the law.

The commissioner says that the American Guild recently absorbed the Modern Puritans, of Norfolk, and neither is licensed to do business in this State nor is the alleged poor showing made by the guild in the recent official examination is the cause of its being barred from North Carolina.

RAILROAD APPOINTMENT.

J. W. Wassam, Superintendent of Southern Terminals at Spencer.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SPENCER, N. C., May 19.—J. W. Wassam, of Jacksonville, has been appointed superintendent of the Spencer terminal division of the Southern Railway, effective at once, succeeding W. R. Hudson, resigned, who recently accepted the superintendency of the Danville division, with headquarters at Greensboro.

Mr. Wassam has been terminal trainmaster for the Seaboard Air Line Road at Jacksonville and is a railroader of wide experience. He arrived in Spencer to-day.

Sermon to Graduates.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., May 19.—The baccalaureate sermon before the forty-three graduates of Salem Female College, was preached to-day by Bishop Levering, of Bethlehem, Pa., in the new \$50,000 memorial hall. Hundreds of visitors from this and other Southern States were in attendance. The discourse was scholarly and carefully prepared. Bishop Levering's theme was that religion should make life very bright and happy, and not gloomy and despondent; that the best teacher was Jesus Christ, and that education should follow in the line of securing the very best instructor. He emphasized the statement that the Moravian schools had sought to give Christian education, and as a result they had furnished for more than four hundred years.

Dr. Pell to Students.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., May 19.—Dr. Robert Pell, president of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., preached the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of the Winston High School at Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church to-night. His subject was "The Effect of Popular Education Upon Christian Unity."

ESTRADA DRIVEN TO THE YORKTOWN

Mail Advices From Puerto Cortez Tell of More Trouble There.

PUERTO CORTAZ, May 14, VIA MOBILE, ALA., May 19.—During the past week many reports have been in circulation regarding fighting between the forces of General Teruelo Sierra, who was reported as marching from Amapala toward the capital to Tegucigalpa.

No details can be had beyond the fact that the provisional government of President M. R. Davila, sent against Sierra a force of 100 men, command of General Dionisio Gutierrez.

A telegram from President Davila to General Estrada, commanding the Nicaraguan forces, dated May 13th, informs Estrada that Sierra was driven back to his quarters at the United States steamer Yorktown, at Amapala, and that the Honduran forces expect to take possession of Amapala to-day (May 14).

General Estrada occupied San Pedro, with a force of 100 men, May 13th, but report to-day say that all is quiet there.

Captain Pulliam, of the Marietta, sent an additional gun and squad of men to San Pedro before the arrival of General Estrada's forces to aid in the protection of foreign interests and maintain a strict police guard in San Pedro and at Puerto Cortez.

All saloons are closed in both cities; perfect order prevails, and the fruit business, also railway traffic is untroubled.

Many Nicaraguan soldiers are arriving from the coast, to take place of the soldiers moved to San Pedro by General Estrada. There is no indication of the Nicaraguan forces leaving here.

CABLES FROM ROME.

Columbus Assembly Received Greeting From World Meeting.

COLUMBUS, O., May 19.—Preachers attending the Presbyterian General Assembly to-day occupied the pulpits of nearly all Columbus Protestant churches. A labor meeting was held this afternoon at Memorial Hall.

The World's Sunday-school Day was observed this afternoon by Broad Street Congregational Church, Dr. W. J. Worden, of Philadelphia, presiding. Cable greetings were exchanged with the World's Sunday-school Convention, in session at Rome.

To-night meetings in the interest of Christian colleges and universities, Sabbath observance and education were held.

Telephone Man Dead.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Charles Frederick Cutler, of Morristown, N. J., president of the New York Telephone Company, died suddenly from heart disease last night at the Saratoga Inn, Saratoga Lake.

...Minton's English China....

A GRAND EXHIBIT

of Minton's English China will be made on Monday and Tuesday of this week at the Jefferson Hotel by their representative, Mr. A. B. Evans. We cordially invite all lovers of the good and beautiful in the ceramic art to see this display.

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SIDE LIGHTS ON BAPTIST CONVENTION

A feature that has attracted the attention of every visitor to the convention is the open-air preaching of Rev. J. A. Maples, of Greenville, Texas, the temperance evangelist. Every day, during the convention recess, a crowd has gathered in Cary Street, to hear the eloquent advocate of temperance, one of the most interested-looking hearers being the white-aproned barkeeper from the corner of Linden Street. Friday, at the noon recess, several hundred people gathered in the shade of the Auditorium to see the charts exhibited by Mr. Maples and to hear his impassioned address.

Friday night, when the limits of the great Auditorium had been reached, and the police concluded that not another person could be packed into the floor, gallery or platform, the rapidly-forming crowd on the outside, at times nearly as large as that inside, sent in a request for the well-known evangelist to come out and preach to them. Mr. Levering, who was presiding, announced from the platform that Mr. Maples was wanted, and a few moments later the sound of hymns and the deep voice of prayer, floated in the open windows, showing that another great meeting was in progress on the outside. Mr. Maples has visited many of the conventions in recent years, and has everywhere produced a profound impression. In some States he has used an automobile to travel from town to town, speaking at every opportunity and illustrating his addresses with vividly-painted cartoons and pictures.

Dr. Len G. Broughton, the well-known pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Atlanta, preached at Grove Avenue Church yesterday morning, his subject being "The Ideal Christ."

Dr. Broughton has been for years a close friend of Dr. Hawthorne, Dr. Broughton's lead the Baptists of Atlanta are now engaged in a movement to erect in that city a mammoth auditorium and tabernacle building, with hospital annex, the whole to cost about \$300,000. The building will be eight stories high, and will contain nearly 300 rooms. Some conception of Dr. Broughton's work and the comprehensiveness of the movement may be formed when he tells that the annual running expenses of the institution will be between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Rev. B. F. Riley, D. D., of Houston, Texas, who is stopping at Ford's Hotel in this city, is compiling data for a biographical sketch of the life of Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, D. D., who expects to retire July 1st as the pastor of Grove Avenue Baptist Church.

Dr. Riley has been until recently the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Houston, Texas, and was at one time president of Howard College, Alabama. He is the author of a history of the Southern Baptists and a number of other denominational works. He has been a lifelong friend of Dr. Hawthorne, who celebrated his seventieth birthday the day the convention met.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, whose response to the speech of welcome was so well received, is a Confederate veteran, having served as a soldier during the war. He is now secretary of the Baptist State Board of Missions of Texas.

Another Texan who would attract attention in the greatest gathering is Dr. B. H. Carroll, of Washington, D. C., several inches beyond six feet in height, broad-shouldered, bearded, with the men of a prophet of the old time. He is one of the ablest ministers in the body.

Rev. E. E. Folk, D. D., editor of the Baptist and Reflector, of Nashville, Tenn., is a very popular and accomplished member of the body. He is a brother of Governor Joseph Folk, of Missouri.

Rev. Alex. W. Bealer, of Georgia, is representing the Atlanta Journal and the Christian Index. He is a strong and eloquent minister, a trained newspaper man, and is sometimes called "The Talk of Georgia." His friends say that his repertoire of stories is exceptionally varied and fine.

Dr. Livius Linkford, of Norfolk, Va., among his friends as "the beloved physician," is greeting many college mates and friends.

Professor E. B. Pollard, Ph. D., of Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pa., is one of the most deeply interested attendants. He is the son of Dr. John Pollard and the brother of Hon. John Garland Pollard.

Mr. James R. Edmunds, vice-president of the National Bank of Commerce, of Baltimore, and wife are the guests of Dr. George B. Steel, No. 400 East Main.

Among the newspaper men attending the sessions of the convention are R. R. Ray, Norfolk Advertiser; George Herald, Thomas, W. Sprague, Baltimore, Md., the Baptist Commonwealth of Philadelphia; C. E. W. Dobbs, Marietta, Ga.; Journal and Messenger, Cincinnati; J. J. Kendrick, Baptist Chronicle, Louisville; William D. Upshaw, editor of the Golden Age, Atlanta, Ga.; Arch. C. Gray, Nashville Banner, Nashville, Tenn.; Edgar E. Folk, editor Baptist Reporter, Nashville, Tenn.; W. L. R. Cabell, the Baptist Courier, South Carolina; Fleetwood Ball, Baptist and Reflector, Nashville, Tenn.; John C. Hays, the Western Recorder, Louisville, Ky.; and the Baptist Advocate, Little Rock, Ark.; the Baptist Argus, Louisville, Ky.; M. P. Hunt, pastor of Twenty-second and Walnut Streets Church, 62 East city, reporting

the meeting; Rev. Frank Willis Bartlett, editor and owner of the Alabama Baptist, 15-page illustrated weekly, the organ of the Baptist State Convention, published at Birmingham, covering the convention for his paper; Alex. W. Bealer, reporter for the Christian Index and the Atlanta Journal; W. H. Baylor, Baltimore Sun; M. E. Dodd, pastor of First Baptist Church, Fulton, Ky., representing the Baptist Union, of Martin, Tenn.; J. B. Cranfield, Associated Prohibition Press, Chicago; H. E. Tralle, editor the Central Baptist, St. Louis.

Mayor McCarthy is a member of the convention, who has been most solicitous as to its comfort and welfare. As far as his duties have permitted, he has been regular in attendance, and has been of great value to the committee of arrangements and the officers of the convention.

During Friday night's session, when the unused reserved seats were opened to the public, there was considerable rush for good positions. The possibility of panic occurred to the Mayor and in the interests of the safety of the convention, he requested the aid of the police to keep order on both sides of the house, opening on the level, and that the Auditorium floor was laid on solid ground. The building is, certainly very near fireproof, being composed of cement, cast iron, brick and slate.

The Mayor directed on Friday night an increase in the police force at the Auditorium, and instructions were given the sergeants in charge to maintain order in and out of the building, to permit no talking in the building during the speaking and to allow no standing in the aisles. Although the audience was twice as large at night as during the afternoon sessions, it was much quieter, and the speakers were heard with less difficulty.

Mr. J. W. Bailley, who spoke Friday night, was the editor of the Biblical Recorder, of North Carolina, until recently. He gave up his editorial work to enter the practice of law, and probably the political arena. He is not a minister and is considered one of the brightest young men in the convention.

Baron Valdemar Uxkull, treasurer of the Baptist Union of Russia, is the guest of Dr. J. N. Prestridge, at the Jefferson. He is in this country in the interest of Baptist theological seminary for Russia. He is a cousin of the Russian Ambassador at Washington, Baron Rosen, whose guest he was last week. The Baron represented Russian Baptists at the Baptist World Congress in London, and there won the confidence and affection of the Baptists of the world. The Baron has an estate in Russia and a winter home in Italy. He will preach to-day in Washington city, and the Russian Embassy will be present in statu.

Mr. Minety Jones, brother to the late James Leigh Jones, formerly an old Richmond boy, and now one of the leading business men of St. Joseph, Mo., is here attending the Southern Baptist Convention, as the guest of Mrs. James Leigh Jones, on Monument Avenue.

Mr. Walter H. Ryland, editor of the Southside Sentinel, Urbana, Va., is attending the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention here this week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Weaver, of Louisville, Ky., who are attending the Southern Baptist Convention, are with their niece, Mrs. Clarence Hopper, at No. 1621 Beverly Street.

Mr. Judson S. Boshier has been the efficient chairman of the committee on ushers, and the entire force has been untiring in its efforts to see to the comfort and convenience of the visitors. Their task has been at times as light as the clouds have been over the delegates' section has not always been appreciated. The Police Department has co-operated, a sergeant and a squad of men being always on duty about the building.

A large force of white-capped pages are also on duty and have proved efficient aides in the dispatch of the business of the convention.

It was frequently said on the platform Saturday night that the gathering present represented the convention proper. The popular attendance that

overflowed the Auditorium on Friday evening, when the foreign mission speakers were on the platform, was not so marked. The house had from 2,500 to 3,000, however, the delegates' section seating 1,500, being entirely filled.

No trouble was experienced in hearing Dr. Gray throughout the house Saturday night, as he presented the cause of home missions. It was observed that not only was it necessary for a speaker on the Auditorium platform to have a strong voice, but the audience must want to hear the speaker, rather than move about, and hear themselves whisper.

A sounding board behind the speaker's stand would no doubt be a notable improvement, however.

Dr. W. C. James, pastor of one of the leading Baptist churches of Russellville, Ky., and a professor in Bethel College, of that city, is here attending the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. James is a Texan by birth and was educated at Richmond College, where for several sessions he held the distinction of being the "silver-tongued orator" of the Mu Sigma Rho Literary Society.

Being a typical Southerner, he keeps well up on political conditions. He is an ardent Democrat, and seemed rather ashamed to admit that his district, the Third Kentucky, had sent Dr. A. D. James, a Republican, to the next House of Representatives.

State Senator B. T. Gunter, of Accomac, is at the Richmond, having come to the city to attend the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Judge W. V. Moffatt, of Salem, is one of the prominent lay members of the Southern Baptist Convention. He is stopping at the Jefferson.

The night session Saturday was called to order by President Stephens promptly at 8:15 o'clock. The house was being rapidly filled, the entire middle block, seating 1,500, being taken before the opening hour. The session opened with singing "Sun of My Soul," after which some one started singing a hymn, and the whole body gathered, carrying the choir and pianist with them. The singing has been an attractive feature, the whole body standing and rendering the old church hymns with a slow, steady, swinging roll, the men's voices predominating. During the singing of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and the roll of music was heard for squares.

Dr. J. B. Marvin, one of the vice-presidents, is one of the greatest specialists in nervous diseases in the central part of the United States. Two rival colleges each demanded and secured him as professor in his specialty. He is a very wealthy man, and is a noted breeder of the pious.

No meeting of the Education Commission of Virginia was held Saturday on account of previous engagements of many of the members. The meeting was therefore postponed until to-day at 11 A. M., in the parlors of the Second Baptist Church. This meeting will be a most important one, and every effort will be made to secure a large attendance.

Hon. E. W. Stephens, president of the convention, is an ex-Governor of the State of Missouri, and at present an active newspaper man. He publishes a weekly at Columbia, Mo., and is also a book publisher, especially of law books.

"You can't kill many negroes and have left any respect for the law, and not kill the first white man you meet." This was the somewhat startling close of the address of Dr. Gambrell on the work of the home board among the negroes. Dr. Gambrell severely scolded lawlessness, lynching and the present tendency among reactionary politicians to divert the funds used for the education of negroes. "I think every man, woman and child in America should have enough education to read the Bible for himself," was a statement that was warmly received.

CONVENTION OF UNITED TRAVELERS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 19.—The annual session of the Grand Council, United Commercial Travelers of the Carolinas, which convened here Friday night, came to an end last evening with a banquet in the palm-room of the Selwyn Hotel. At the afternoon session thirty candidates, among whom was Mayor S. S. McIninch, of Charlotte, were initiated into the order.

Asheville was chosen as the place for the next meeting, and officers were elected as follows: Grand senior counselor, E. E. Trogdon, Charlotte; grand junior counselor, H. H. Olliam, Greensboro; past grand counselor, C. H. Jones, Columbia; grand secretary, L. N. Smith, Charlotte; grand treasurer, J. G. Shanahan, Charlotte; grand conductor, O. Williams, Asheville; grand judge, J. C. Burns, Asheville; grand singing, J. C. Hender, Statesville; Executive committee: One year—T. W. Hughes, Columbia; H. M. Beades, Asheville; Two years—C. C. Taylor, Greensboro; J. E. Goulet, Spartanburg.

At St. Peter's Episcopal Church this morning Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt delivered the annual sermon to the Travelers.